

REMARKS

35 U.S.C. 102. Claims 66-71, 73-75 and 77085 are rejected as anticipated by Sun. Sun has a priority date of December 2002. The pending claims have a priority date of October 2002. Accordingly, Sun cannot anticipate the pending claims because by default the provisional application relied upon in this application (invention) was before the filing date of Sun under 102(e).

35 U.S.C. 103. As mentioned above, Sun is not a reference under 103. Winn requires an Aryl group in the R⁴ position. This teaches away from what is currently claimed. There is no guidance as to why one of skill in the art would choose heteroaryl instead of aryl at this position. This is especially true when looking at a different indication and a different receptor class.

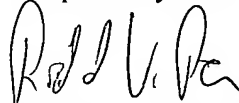
Accordingly, Applicants request that the rejections be withdrawn.

Applicants' attorney sincerely and respectfully requests that the Examiner consider, a telephone (805-447-3299) or personal interview to resolve any outstanding issues deemed appropriate by the Examiner.

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